

School at Bangalore, during the year 1919-20, to encourage private students to undergo Normal training.

The training class will be opened provided that at least 8 students are forthcoming to join the said class.

Scholarships of Rs. 6 each will be available for students joining the class and the number of such scholarships will depend on the number of students seeking admission to the training class.

Applications may be made to the Head Master, District Normal School, Bangalore, within one week after the date of announcement of the Upper Secondary Examination results of 1919.

C. R. REDDY,
Inspector-General of Education.

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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR OF CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES IN MYSORE.

Official Memorandum No. 9111-10230—C. S. 24, dated 14th March 1919.

As all Co-operators know, there are now well over 1,200 Co-operative Societies working in the Mysore State. Classified according to their objects about 1,150 are credit institutions, about 25 are Weavers' Co-operative Societies and the remaining 25 serve some minor agricultural and industrial purposes. It is clear therefore that while the credit movement has made considerable progress in Mysore, the progress of agricultural and industrial co-operation is very poor.

In countries where co-operation has developed on a large scale, one generally finds that it develops more or less equally in all directions. This is but natural. Provision of capital to their members, provision of raw material, tools and implements and the like required for carrying on their occupation, and facilities for obtaining an adequate return for the result of their labour, these are three of the most important objects served by co-operative societies. Our societies have so far taken up only the first line of work and even there, there is a lot still to be done. The second and the third objects mentioned above do not find a prominent place on the programme of co-operative work in the State. It is doubtful whether we are really helping a member of a Co-operative Society if we merely provide him with funds and do not help him to put those funds to the best advantage or to procure the best price for the produce of his labour. It is time therefore that Co-operative Societies realised the intimate relation that exists among the several items of work enumerated above and that they took necessary measures for enlarging the sphere of their activities. This will enable them to confer on their members greater benefit than they are now able to do.

Regarding agricultural co-operation, it is proposed to start societies for the supply of the following in the districts of Tumkur, Kolar, Mysore and Bangalore:—

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| (1) Verity ploughs. | (4) Eureka plough. |
| (2) Kolar Mission ploughs. | (5) P. W. D or Kolar Mission cultivator. |
| (3) New Bar share ploughs. | (6) Sugar-cane mill P. W. D. |

In the districts of Shimoga, Kadur, Chitaldrug and Hassan, it is proposed to start societies for the supply of the following in addition to or in place of those enumerated above.

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| (1) Kirlosker ploughs. | (2) Mesten ploughs. |
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In addition to these societies, institutions may also be started for the supply of seed, manure, and house-hold provisions. It will also be possible to arrange for the common sale of the produce raised by the members.

With regard to industrial co-operation, societies for jaggery making, for rice hulling, for weavers, for metal workers, ivory and sandalwood carvers, shoe makers, basket makers, cabinet makers, etc., are contemplated. These societies will not merely supply their members with funds but they will also provide them with the raw materials and tools they require and will arrange for the common sale of the articles turned out by the members.

It is proposed that societies started for the above purposes should be made independent of the credit societies but there is nothing to prevent the existing Co-operative Societies from enlarging their activities in these directions. The Department will be only too glad to help these societies with funds and advice and the Director of Agriculture and Director of Industries and Commerce have kindly promised to co-operate with the Registrar in this matter.

It is earnestly hoped that members of Co-operative Societies, Committees of management and influential leaders of co-operation in the State will interest themselves in this work and help the Department in its efforts in these directions.

R. RANGA RAO,
Offg. Registrar.

To—All the Honorary Secretaries of the Co-operative Societies in Mysore,